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NOTE

NATIONALIST CHINA: PRESIDENT CHIANG KAI-SHEK	
HAS BEEN HOSPITALIZED SINCE EARLY THIS MONTH SUF-	1
FERING FROM PNEUMONIA. HE APPEARS TO BE RECUPER-	/
ATING, AND IS EXPECTED TO LEAVE THE HOSPITAL WITHIN	
SEVERAL WEEKS. INITIALLY AT LEAST, THE GENERAL-	
ISSIMO'S ILLNESS WAS A CAREFULLY KEPT SECRET AND MME.	2
CHIANG AND NATIONALIST LEADERS HAVE ATTEMPTED TO CON-	
VEY THE IMPRESSION OF BUSINESS AS USUAL. IN ANY	25X
EVENT, HIS SON, PREMIER CHIANG CHING-KUO, IS IN FULL	
CONTROL OF THE GOVERNMENT.	

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